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Granite State Clean Cities Coalition (GSCCC) January 2019 Newsletter

*Hi everyone ~ I hope you are all staying warm despite these frigid temperatures ... Heads up, I will be reaching out very soon for fleet and fuel data for the 2018 Clean Cities Annual Report – this is our opportunity to record [GSCCC's impact on energy use and emissions reduction](#). The report captures data on the use of alternative fuels (e.g. Propane Autogas, Compressed Natural Gas, Biodiesel), advanced technology vehicles (e.g. electric, hybrid), and fuel efficiency measures (e.g. telematics, auxiliary power units, low rolling resistance tires). If your fleet or business is making these commitments, **PLEASE take a minute to email/call me so that I can recognize your contribution ...** Email Jessica.Wilcox@des.nh.gov or call (603) 271-6751.*

As always, I look forward to hearing from you! ~Jessica

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY *UPDATED
WEBINAR DATES/TIMES***: 2019 Diesel
Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Clean Diesel
National Grants Request for Applications Now
Open – Deadline to Apply: March 6, 2019**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the availability of approximately \$40 million in DERA grant funds to support projects aimed at reducing emissions from the nation's existing fleet of

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older diesel engines. Under this competition, between 40 and 80 awards are anticipated to be made to eligible applicants. Eligible applicants include regional, state, local or tribal agencies, or port authorities, with jurisdiction over transportation or air quality. Nonprofit organizations may apply if they provide pollution reduction or educational services to diesel fleet owners or have, as their principal purpose, the promotion of transportation or air quality. [Click this link for more information and details.](#)

Want to learn more? There will be two informational webinars covering:

- Program Details
- Changes This Year
- Eligible Entities, Projects, Vehicles, Engines & Equipment
- Funding: Availability, Project Funding Percentage, Restrictions
- Proposal Submission
- Evaluation Criteria
- Potential Pitfalls
- Tools, Resources and Support
- Question & Answer Period

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 3 to 5 p.m. ET

Join at:

<https://meet.lync.com/usepa/swift.faye/DT100MVK?sl=1>

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 2 to 4 p.m. ET

Join at:

<https://meet.lync.com/usepa/swift.faye/JK0F9RG3?sl=1>

Dial-In: (202) 991-0477

Participant Code: 4149804#

Note: This grant application is fairly involved, please consider your project thoroughly when applying – e.g. you will want to apply for more than one vehicle. **We can help** with the emissions reduction portion of the application – Email Jessica.Wilcox@des.nh.gov or call (603) 271-6751.

GSCCC Stakeholder Meetings: December Meeting Brief & Link to Meeting Materials

GSCCC Stakeholder Meetings are held quarterly and are open to all those interested in alternative fuels, advanced technology vehicles and fuel reduction strategies. You DO NOT have to be an “official stakeholder” to attend the meetings. If you are interested in seeing what they are all about, check out the 2018 meeting agendas posted to the GSCCC website located here: [Stakeholder Meeting Materials](#).

The December GSCCC Stakeholder Meeting was held at the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Coastal Offices at Pease International Tradeport in Portsmouth. On the agenda:

- Steve Pesci, Special Projects Director in the Campus Planning Office at the University of New Hampshire (UNH) presented on

their alternative fuel commitments. **They are expecting delivery of four new full-size compressed natural gas Transit Buses this spring, and recently adopted an EV Infrastructure Plan.**

- James Penfold, Co-Founder of EV LaunchPad, an Electric Vehicle charging station (EVSE) supplier and installer based in NH, set up EVSE station displays and gave an EVSE Show & Tell/Q&A on selecting the right types of charging stations and features for public applications, including DC fast charging.
- Tim White of NHDES provided an update on the VW EMT, eligible projects and the State Clean Diesel Program, which is utilizing VW funds to match the DERA funding. **It is anticipated that the next solicitation using VW funds will be for school buses.**
- Ron Currier of Hilltop Chevrolet in Somersworth showcased a battery electric **Chevy Bolt**. Attendees were offered rides in the vehicle to experience its quiet torque.

EVENTS CALENDAR:

March 5-8, 2019 – [The Work Truck Show](#) – The Green Truck Summit, along with the Fleet Technical Congress and the Work Truck Show are again offering Clean Cities coalitions and their stakeholders discounted registration (\$379) to attend. This event is North America's largest gathering of vocational trucks and equipment from Classes 1–8, including chassis, bodies, components and accessories. Attendees can [explore](#) the exhibit floor with displays from 500+ companies; [educate](#) and innovate with expert insights and training; and [engage](#) the industry at networking events. Educational sessions, Fleet Technical Congress, Green Truck Summit, and Manufacturer and Distributor Innovation Conference begin March 5, and the exhibit hall is open March 6–8.

Beyond access to the exhibit hall, this registration gives you the chance to attend one educational session. The 2019 curriculum will address workforce development, government regulations, staying competitive, growing your business, and more key industry issues. [View all topics.](#)

Register at worktruckshow.com, using the promo code CLEANCITIES.

April 2019 – [Drive Electric Earth Day](#) – The first annual Drive Electric Earth Day will be held on April 2019 with events across the United States celebrating the many benefits of electric vehicles, including cleaner air, a smoother ride and great convenience. Visit the link above to learn more and create an event in your community.

September 14-22, 2019 – [National Drive Electric Week 2019](#) – National Drive Electric Week is a nationwide celebration to heighten awareness of today's widespread availability of plug-in vehicles and highlight the benefits of all-electric and plug-in hybrid-electric cars, trucks, motorcycles, and more. Interested in organizing or helping with an event? Visit the [events page](#) for more information.

October 7, 2019 - **AltWheels Fleet Day** - As a member of the Advisory Committee for this year's event, I'd like to remind everyone that it's never too early to register.

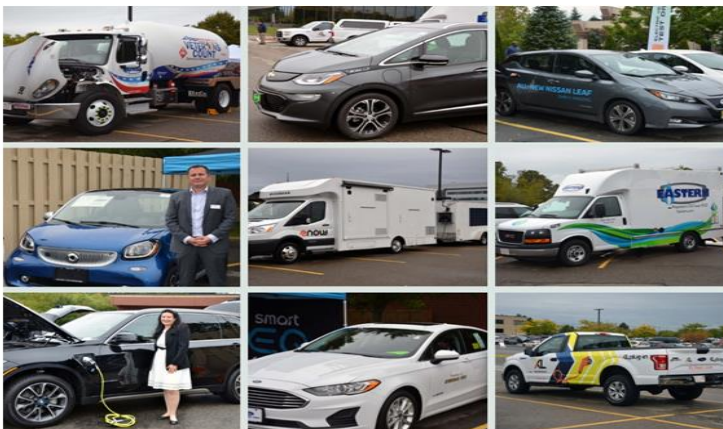


AltWheels Fleet Day

Monday, October 7, 2019

Four Points by Sheraton - Norwood, MA

AltWheels Fleet Day is the largest meeting of corporate and municipal Fleet Managers on the East Coast. The day consists of panels, exhibits, and vehicles offering a showcase of alternative transportation solutions.



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We are working on our agenda for this year's program.
Let us know if there is a topic you'd like to see incorporated into
our agenda.

Please be sure to contact Meg if you are interested in sponsoring,
participating in or attending this year's event.

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Alternative Fuel Spotlight: "CleanTech Company Focused on Lowering NOx"

Todd Mouw, Vice President of sales and marketing for ROUSH CleanTech, recently shared the following article:

"This past year, ROUSH CleanTech launched several new low-NOx innovations that further reduce harmful emissions. The company introduced an ultra-low NOx propane engine for Class 4-7 trucks in addition to its already low NOx offering. This 0.02 g/bhp-hr NOx engine is 90 percent cleaner than the current EPA's most stringent heavy-duty engine standard. When this engine is fueled with renewable propane, it reaches near-zero emissions.

In addition, the company announced its entry into the electric vehicle market. It will be putting additional demos on the ground with strategic partners and customers as they continue development with a planned production launch in 2020.

Another innovation that will continue in the new year is ROUSH CleanTech's pilot connected truck and bus program. The company is deploying this technology on a total of 900 propane trucks and school buses to help better understand customer duty cycles. This technology will be used longer term to enable even greater uptime and, therefore, an even more significant operational savings for customers.

To learn more about ROUSH CleanTech's alternative-fuel vehicle

technology that powers school buses and Ford commercial vehicles, please visit www.roushcleantech.com. "

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[Energy Department Announces Battery Recycling Prize & Battery Recycling R&D Center](#)

[The Future of Biodiesel](#)

[U.S. EV Sales Surpass 2% In 2018](#)

[Volkswagen Funding a Game Changing Opportunity for Natural Gas Vehicles \(NGVs\)](#)

Social Media Appeal : Please help us to grow our following and *BONUS* you get to stay connected to the Granite State Clean Cities Coalition (GSCCC) ... Get into the alt fuel/advanced tech vehicle loop, visit our [Facebook page](#) and click the link to "LIKE" us – 210 likes and counting! Also, the NHDES, which houses GSCCC, is now on [Facebook](#). Please take a moment to check out and "LIKE" both of our pages. We post information about events, trainings, workshops, publications, and more. You can also follow GSCCC & NHDES on **Twitter** ([@GS Clean Cities](#) and [@NHDES](#)) and [YouTube](#). If you have any questions or suggestions for content, please contact GSCCC at jessica.wilcox@des.nh.gov or NHDES at socialmedia@des.nh.gov.

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